TO THE CITIES AND TOWNS

House Passes Important Bill Affecting Allow Governor to Designate

Both of the houses of the General Assembly held two sessions yesterday and deposed of a large amount of work. The House, under a suspension of rules, passed the bill offered by Mr. Allen, of Botetour, to authorize the Governor to designate judges to hold court where the incumbent is removed, and the Courts of Justice Committee reported that they had completed their general work, and instead of printing the report, it was referred to the Revision Committee.

The House passed a number of local Sense bills, among them being one to provide for keeping in repair the public reads of Apporatiox county.

A general bill of interest passed by the House was that relating to the public free school system, and another was in relation to the election of county, district, and city officers. The bill conforming the statutes to the Constitution on the government of cities and towns was also passed, having been managed on the floor by Mr. Jennings, of Lynchburg.

The Senate sessions were devoted almost entirely to disposing of local bills appearing on the calendar, and a large number of them were passed. The body also passed the bill in relation to common carriers and one making an annual appropriation of \$40,000 for the Virginia Polytechnic Institute at Blacksburg.

It looks now as if the body will adjourn to-morrow night, but will remain in constructive session for a few days longer, in order to allow the Governor to sign bills.

The Senate.

Governor Willard called the Senate to order.

Rev. C. P. Scott offered prayer.

A communication from the House of Delegates informed the Senate of the Bassage of five House bills.

Mr. Barksdale, from the Committee for Privileges and Elections, reported House bill 27s, to require commissioners of revenue to assess all duly registered voters with the Blate poll or capitation tax and to require treasurers of countries and cities and receive the poll tax of any person assessable therewith.

Mr. Ople, from the Committee on Charles, Cities and Towns, Toward to Supervised of Warwick country to issue bonds for road improvement in Newport News days the testing of the province of the poll tax of the country to send the supervised of Warwick country to issue bonds for road improvement in Newport News days the country to the country of the country to the count

Mr. Barksdale, from the Committee of General Laws, reported these House bills:

To authorize erection of a Confederate monument in Greenesville.

To authorize John D. Armstrong to erect a pler in James river.

The same committee report with a recommendation that it do not pass the House bill to amend sections 2485 and 2491 of the Code in relation to lien of employes, cic, of transportation, mining and manufacturing companies on franchises and property of said companies.

This is the bill reported with the fire the bill reported with the minimes. This is the bill reported with the month of the control of Mr. Shackelford. The effect of the bill would be to practically abolish the simply liens. The proposition has the brought prominently forward recently by reason of the receivership and bankruptcy proceeding of the William R. Trigg Company. It then developed that there was a law on the statute books which gave supply creditors liens on the property of such corporations ahead of the banks and trust companies which may have loaned money on mortgages, in some cases the supply liens consume the assets, leaving the mortgage holder little or nothing with which is satisfy its claim. The bill was first reported from the Committee for Courts of Justice, but is adversely reported with practical unanimity by the Committee for General Laws, to which it was subsequently committee, It is sure to provoke considerable argument when it comes up, if it does come up.

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ing, which was ordered spread upon the journal;
To the Senate and the House of Delegates;
The work of the two Committees for Courts of Justice has been completed, and it is gratifying to be able to make this report;
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The work of the Code of the Code of the Constitution bearing upon the subjects before us.

We have prepared bills amending such sections of the Code as require amendment and repealing such sections as have become useless. These bills, together with the reports of all the subcommittees, are in shape for immediate action, but as there is no necessity for haste in these matters, your committees advise that both the bills and the reports be referred to the Special Joint Committee, on Revision, in order that their work in this regard may be reviewed and reported to the General Assembly when it reconvenes after the recess.

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the special order, the Senate bill prescribing the liability of common carriers for freight shipped over its own and connecting lines.

The bill was laid before the Senate and Mr. Claytor opened the argument for the bill in an hour's speech, which Mr. Wickham, who opposed the bill, characterized as a masterly effort, logical, forceful and fair in its terms. The speaker defined first the purposes of the bill and the hardships on shippers it-was designed to correct. Under the present laws the shipper has no redress for the loss or delay in the transmission of his freight by transportation companies, when such loss or delay occurred after delivery of same to a connecting line for transportation. The committee her present the twest of the control of the reason that it was doubtful of the constitutionality of the measure. The patron of the bill argued to sustain the constitutionality of the measure. The patron of the bill argued to sustain the constitutionality of the act, making the point that the courts had decided both ways on questions involving the responsibility of the carrying company in cases of loss or delay. It was no unusual thing for the courts had decided both ways on questions involving the responsibility of the carrying company in cases of loss or delay. It was no unusual thing for the courts farfer rendering a decision in cases where both sides to a contention are not represented or where one side does not adequately present its case to decide a law unconstitutional and then after hearing the case fully argued to reverse itself. He quoted from a recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, wherein it was held that acts of the character of the bill under discussion were constitutional and were not in contravention of or interference with the interstate commerce law. The States of Michigan, New York. Ohlo, Missouri and lowa have laws similar to the one proposed, and their constitutionality has been upheld by the courts. In closing bill had that the act is constitutional shippers would sec

al. He made an elaborate argument against the bill. ASSES.

Mr. Claytor closed the debate for the bill in a fifteen minute speech, in which he combatted the contentions of the Handle combatted the contention of the proposed act. The bill was put upon its passage and was passed by a vote of 20 % It will be transition of the House this morning.

Mr. Lyd of Roanoke, then called upon the the Virginia Polytechnic Institute the content of the School, and to the Virginia Polytechnic Institute the Combatted and the hill was so amended as to size of the content of the school, and to the Virginia Polytechnic Institute the combatted was agreed to and the bill was a sagreed to and the bill was a greed to and the bill was a greed

Mr. Lyle briefly stated the needs of the school and made an effective pica for the amended bill. The session of the Senate. The continued until nearly 7 P. M. was a dreary succession of roll calls, there being no debate nor opposition to any of the other bills passed. Seven bills relating to the public schools and educational institutions of the State, which had passed the House and been reported with amendments, by the committee, were taken up and passed as rapidly as the necessary roll calls could be completed. They are known as Senate bills 253 to 270, inclusive, amending sections 68 to 74 of the Code. The amendments are immaterial in most cases, and the section of the code. The substitute for House bill 303 to allow the Governor to designate judges to fill vacancy. The substitute merely strikes out the words "death, resignation and otherwise," and enables a judge to be designated to fill any vacancy, it matters not how caused. The bill will enable the Governor to designate a county judge to fill the vacancy caused by the senate were. Other bills passed by the Senate were. House bill to authorize the Board of Supervisors of Greenesville county to erect a Confederate monument on the public square.

Mr. Harvey, for the Library Committee, reported these bills passed by the House:

Defining the duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

To provide for the regulation and management of the State Library.

ACTE OF ASSEMBLY.

Mr. Walker offered, asked and was granted immediate consideration of the joint resolution directing the public printer to have published in pamphlet form 3,500 copies of the acts of the Assembly for the session for distribution among State officers and others. It will take 2,700 copies to supply the judges, clerks and magistrates and other officers. The House announced concurrence in the joint resolution a few minutes later.

Mr. Claytor offered a joint resolution proposing to have printed 1,000 additional copies of the corporation bilk, known as House bill 162. The resolution went over for action to-day.

Mr. Wallace sought to have the House bill defining the powers and duties of the State Board of Agriculture and Immigration, but Mr. Chapman asked some questions as to the bill, and Mr. Walker cut short further consideration by a motion to adjourn, whereupon the presiding officer declared the motion adopted. A resolution of Senator Opie had previously been adopted proposing that when the Senate adjourn it adjourn until 10 A.

The House.

thereon for the purchase of a lot and the building of a public free school house thereon.

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DIMINUTIVE MISS BLANCKE

Her Stature Leads to a Very Strange Situation.

Situation.

Anne Blancke, who plays the part of "Bob," the newsboy, in "A Little Outcast," at the Bijou, is one of the smallest women on the stage, which fact often gives rise to many amusing occurrences. At rehearsal yesterday, a crowd of children were being drilled for the birthday party scene, and when their time was up they were told to leave the stage immediately to make room for their elders. A stage hand, coming on, saw a small girl sitting on a soap box and evidently taking a good view of her surroundings, "Here, you," said the man in his flercest tone, "clear out!" Youse kids do no hangin' around here—get!" And his dismay was great and overwhelming when the small girl stood up and revealed herself as Anne Blancke in her short walkthe small girl stood up and revealed her-self as Anne Blancke in her short walk-ing skirt! Vlsions of managerial repri-mands for impertinence to the leading lady came to the man, but were speedlly dissolved by one of Blancke's merry laughs—for the diminutive lady is no-thing if not good tempered.

ELECTRICAL WIRING

An Expert Thinks Electrical Committee Should Have Charge.

Mr. Allan M. Schoen, of Atlanta, chief Mr. Allan M. Schoen, of Atlanta, chief electrician for the Southeastern Tariff Association, has been in the city for the past week inspecting the electric wiring of Richmond. He has been accompanied about the town by City Electrical Inspector Minor, under whose supervision most of the work now standing has been done, and he expresses himself as well pleased. and he expresses himself as well pleased with the local condition. It is much improved over what was in vogue a year

the Council Committee on Electricity in the fight it is making to have all matters appertanting to electricity referred to it for consideration, instead of being sent to the Committee on Streets and is governed as is Richmond in reference is governed as is thermond in reference to telephone, street rallways and other electrical matters, the Committee on Electricity in nearly every city sitting in judgment upon such affairs and the Street Committee looking after the improvement of streets and thoroughfares.

BENEFIT AT BOSTOCK'S

One of the Woman's League Training School To-Day. Director Bostock has kindly consented

Director Bostock has kindly consented to give the Woman's League Training School and Hospital another benefit today. As will be remembered a heavy rainstorm prevalled during the entire day of the benefit given before and thousands who desired could not attend.

The following prizes will be awarded to the persons selling the highest number of tickets: First, pollshed oak bedroom sult; second, gold watch; third, sil-

room sult; second, gold watch; third, silver mounted umbrella; fourth, folding erlb; fifth, baby carriage; sixth, rocking chair; seventh, pair of shoes. St. Joseph's Industrial Brass Band will add to the pleasure of the occasion.

IN GREAT DISTRESS

Family in Need of Aid at No. 14 North Seventeenth Street.

Seventeenth Street,

Mrs. Mattle Clark and eleven small children, in very destitute circumstances, taken and cared for at present by Mrs. Estelle Spears, No. 11 North Seventeenth Street, Jackson Clarke, her husband, who has always been a good father, is now in Henrico county, Va., in a critical condition. An appeal is made to the generous public to help them in their discress. Any contributions can be left at the above number.

PILORIMAGE OF SHRINERS

Will Leave for Lynchburg at 12:20 Noon

To-Morrow.

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The time at which Acca Temple, Mystic Shrine will leave for Lynchburg to confer the degree upon a number of pligrims has been changed to 12:20 o'clock noon, to-morrow, instead of 3 o'clock, as was at first announced. The party will go over the Norfolk and Western from the Union denot.

Property Transfers.

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Richmond: John G. Laner and wife to H. G. Fortsmann. 29 9-12 feet on south side of Main Street. 52 feet from Pine Street. No. 67. west. subject to deed of trust for Street. No. 67. west. subject to deed of trust for St. Phillips and wife to Richard A. Blewers. 59-912 feet on south side of the Streets. 13,250.

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Z. Parker Richardson and wife to Virgil L. Perkins. 1-3 interest in certain property in Louisa county and Richmond city. Va., left them by the will of Z. W. Porkins. 11,646.

Virginia and J. G. Smith to Julius Anderson, 30 feet on north side of Leigh Street, 139 feet east of Thirteenth Street, 1500 to be paid in monthly payments of \$30 wach.

John M. Sale and wife to Caleb Jacob. 25 feet on east side of Fine Street, 175 feet south of Spring. \$2,100.

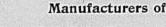
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A DENIAL BY MR. GEORGE Y. HUNLEY

Didn't Want Campbell Removed, but Not Favorable to C. B. Christian.

Mr. George Y. Hunley, of Mathews, addressed the House yesterday on a question of personal privilege. Mr. Hunley voted against the removal of Judge to be favorable to a Campbell man to succeed him on the Amherst bench.

In this latter connection, he said: The press reports which represented him as favoring the election of Colonel Christian

correct. The question before the House, he said, was the fixing of a time to elect a judge for Amherst, and he had contended that the House should comply with the request of the delegate from that county as to the matter.

He had also contended, he said, that it was not in order to discuss candidates until they were nominated. If any candidate were nominated who is not a fit person to fill the position, he would not yote for him. He thought the question of electing a judge a very different fact ter from that of removing one.

Mr. Hunley said further that the statement that he had "used every effort to prevent the unscating of Campbell" was not correct.

not correct.

The only effort he had ever made was to vote against his removal.

SPONSORS CHOSEN

Lee Camp and the Howltzers Have Selected Their Leaders.

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At the last meeting of the Richmond
Hoyitzers Mis Martha Elizabeth Myers
was chosen as sponsor for the battery on
its trip to New Orleans.
Miss Myers is the beautiful daughte
of the late William W. Myers and Mrs.
Martha Macrone Myers. She is also sister of Captain William M. Myers, of the
Howitzers. Her father was one of the
brilliant young artillerymen of the Confederacy.

federacy.

Mis Wray, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Wray, has been selected as sponsor for Lee Camp and the Third Virginia District. Her father was a gallant member of the Fitteenth Virginia, and is now on the Lee Camp rolls.

The regular meeting of the Board of Lady Managers of the Chimboraco Hos-pital will be held to-morrow afternoon in the home of Mrs. C. L. Stevenson, No. 2500 East Broad Street. A full attend-ance is desired, as very important busi-ness is before the meeting.

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Their Government, and Also that to Judges in Case of Removal

were twenty-five Senators in eats yesterday when Lieutenant-or Willard called the Senate to

Grape-Nuts

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. It is far wiser to build up health and strength naturally with food n to crutch along on some kind of medicine and let the disease finally do its work.

